IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 25 - 27, and further amend the claims as indicated below.

(currently amended) A method for data cleansing, comprising:
 receiving an input address and a unique business identifier;
 comparing said input address to a standard;
 providing a single best address derived from said input address, based on said comparison; and
 matching said unique business identifier and said single best address to a database having unique
 business identifiers associated with addresses, to find a matching address for correction of said input address.

2. (canceled)

- 3. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said database is an advanced office system (AOS).
 - 4. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising: providing a match project analysis report.
 - (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising:
 converting said input address to a predetermined record layout, before comparing said input address to said standard.
 - 6. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising: associating said input address with a code, said code being used to determine said single best address.
 - 7. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising: associating said input address with a score, said score being used to determine said single best address.
 - 8. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said standard is selected from the

group consisting of: ZIP+4 coding, coding accuracy support system (CASS), Locatable Address Conversion System (LACS), delivery sequence file (DSF), and National Change of Address (NCOA).

- 9. (canceled)
- 10. (canceled)
- 11. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising: sending a status notification to a user who supplied said input address.
- 12. (currently amended) A system for data cleansing, comprising:
- a pre-auditor for generating a report having a plurality of views of an input address file, said input address file including a record having an input address and a unique business identifier;
- a verifier for finding and removing any invalid records from said input address file;
- a vendor interface for sending said input address file and an order to a vendor, and for receiving a file of standardized addresses from said vendor;
- a component for comparing said input address to said standardized addresses;
- a component for providing a single best address derived from said input address, based on said comparison; and
- a matcher for matching <u>said unique business identifier and</u> said single best address to a database having unique business identifiers associated with addresses, to find a matching address for correction of said input address.
- 13. (canceled)
- 14. (previously presented) The system according to claim 12, further comprising: an investigator for investigating any address not matched, upon request.
- 15-17. (canceled)
- 18. (previously presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said plurality of views includes a

view selected from the group consisting of: alphabetical, most frequent content, and alpha characters only.

- 19. (previously presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein said vendor standardizes addresses using at a process selected from the group consisting of: Locatable Address Conversion System (LACS), delivery sequence file (DSF), and National Change of Address (NCOA).
- 20. (currently amended) A machine readable medium having instructions stored thereon to perform a method for data cleansing, comprising:

receiving an input address and a unique business identifier;
comparing said input address to a standard; and
providing a single best address derived from said input address based on said comparison; and
matching said a unique business identifier and said single best address to a database having unique
business identifiers associated with addresses, to find a matching address for correction of said
input address.

- 21. (canceled)
- 22. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising: accessing a record having said input address; and correcting said record based on said matching address.
- 23. (previously presented) The system of claim 12, further comprising: a component for correcting said record based on said matching address.
- 24. (previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 20, further comprising: accessing a record having said input address; and correcting said record based on said matching address.
- 25 27. (canceled)